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Dear Tom:

When you get a chance, I would appreciate it if you would let Art Lundahl know that I have been in contact with Carl Sagan about the establishment of the UFO commission in the USSR. While Sagan is very interested in the UFO problem and in what we're doing and also in the recent developments in Russia, he felt reluctant to contact Shklovskii. His reasoning is that, since the Soviet investigation is being conducted by the military, it would be difficult for Shklovskii to say anything whatever about it without compromising himself. Hence, Sagan felt nervous about even asking him to comment on the matter.

There is some follow-up to do with Lundahl on the meeting that Frank Rand called, in addition to the Sagan thing. Lundahl mentioned a patent lawyer in Mississippi, named Al Moore, who is thought to have in his possession a report of an analysis that was made of a piece of metal discovered after a fall through the atmosphere, which, I believe, Moore observed himself. As I recall it, the piece of metal has been lost, but the results of the analysis still exist.

Art also told of a sighting made by Admiral Bolster on a flight from Honolulu to San Francisco a long time ago. He believes that this report is still in Navy hands and that it is classified. Perhaps, if it is classified no higher than secret, we could get hold of it and see what we could do with it. What steps can we take to follow this one up?

Finally, there is the question of a picture that is very similar to one of the classical pictures that still remains in the puzzling category. I can't remember whether it is the Lubbock Lights or McMinnville or what. I thought I knew which one Art was referring to when he mentioned it, but I was mixed up. As I recall, the confirming picture is one of Japanese origin - at least it is foreign. We would be very interested to see it.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely yours,

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